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AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2023*) (a) Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2023, that includes coverage for outpatient prescription drugs shall provide coverage for epinephrine cartridge injectors, as defined in section 19a-909 of the general statutes.

(b) No policy described in subsection (a) of this section shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for an epinephrine cartridge injector in an amount that is greater than twenty-five dollars. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-493 of the general statutes, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal

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Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to such high deductible health plans to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under Section 220 or 223, of the

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Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2023*) (a) Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11), (12) and (16) of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or continued in this state on or after January 1, 2023, that includes coverage for outpatient prescription drugs shall provide coverage for epinephrine cartridge injectors, as defined in section 19a-909 of the general statutes.

(b) No policy described in subsection (a) of this section shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for an epinephrine cartridge injector in an amount that is greater than twenty-five dollars. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to a high deductible health plan, as that term is used in subsection (f) of section 38a-520 of the general statutes, to the maximum extent permitted by federal law, except if such plan is used to establish a medical savings account or an Archer MSA pursuant to Section 220 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as amended from time to time, or a health savings account pursuant to Section 223 of said Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time. The provisions of this subsection shall apply to such high deductible health plans to the maximum extent that (1) is permitted by federal law, and (2) does not disqualify such account for the deduction allowed under Section 220 or 223, of said the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as applicable.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2023	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2023	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To place a cap on costs for epinephrine cartridge injectors.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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